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News

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Dear Wisconsin Children's Safety Advocates:

In July 2004, the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission issued a total of **four (4) recalls relating to products affecting children**. Attached is a summary of the releases identifying the product, problem and what should be done with the recalled product.

We have found that not all of the recalls are picked up by the news media as they occur. This monthly summary will give you the opportunity to review all of the children's product safety recalls for the past two months.

If you are interested in a complete text of the recall, double click on the hyperlink at the end of the recall description. This will take you to the CPSC website and the actual recall notice. If you have other product safety questions you may call our toll free number at **(800) 422-7128**.

Following is a listing of the 4 "KIDS" recalls by title and identification number (when available):

- ❖ Playworld Systems Inc. is recalling Swing Sets for repair.
- ❖ Graco Children's Products is recalling Travel Lite Swings. #04-176
- ❖ Target is recalling Summerville Toy Truck Sets. #-04-179
- ❖ Kmart Corporation is recalling Pool Pump Water Guns. #04-184

We hope you find this service of value and that it assists you to:

"KEEP YOUR KIDS SAFE!"

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Release Information: Playworld Systems Inc., of Lewisburg, Pa. Is voluntarily recalling about 1,500 Arch Swing and Arch Swing Add-A-Bay. The 2-3/8" Arch Swing Model # 0289 and the 2-3/8" Arch Swing Add-A-Bay Model # 0380 have arched metal side supports and a welded top rail that supports two swings. The swing sets are made from 2-3/8" steel tubing and come in a variety of solid colors. Sales representatives sold the swing sets directly to day care centers and children's learning centers or playgrounds nationwide from February 1998 through May 2004. The Arch Swing Add-A-Bay sold for \$488 while the Arch Swing sold for \$653. They were manufactured in U.S.A.

Problem: The weld between the side arch support and the top rail can fail. If that happens, the swings can collapse, causing children on the swings to fall and be injured by the falling top rail.

What to do: The swing set seats should immediately be removed from the swing set until a repair kit is installed. The firm will contact the owner directly by mail and provide a repair kit. Contact Playworld Systems toll-free at (800) 233-8404 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. ET Monday through Friday, or visit the firm's Web site at www.playworldsystems.com



- <http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtml04/04563.html>

Release Number: 04-176 Graco Children's Products, of Exton, Pa. Is voluntarily recalling about 140,000 Travel Lite Swings. The recalled Travel Lite portable swings have an adjustable

reclining seat, a rotating handle and a canopy and include model numbers 1850JJP, 1850JGB, and 1870DAL. The swings, which were manufactured between May 2003 and December 11, 2003, also have a serial number between 050503 and 121103. Both the model and serial numbers can be found on a white label underneath the seat. The swings have the words, "Graco" and Travel Lite swing" printed on each side, and have buttons on the handle to activate lights and music. On the underside of the handle are multicolored designs of the sun, moon, and stars that light up when the light button is pressed. They were sold at Discount, department and juvenile stores from June 2003 through June 2004 for about \$60 and manufactured in United States.

Problem: The swing's carrying handle can fail to stay in place properly and drop or be pushed down, hitting a child in the head. Additionally, the 3-point seatbelt can fail to prevent a child from leaning forward or to either side, posing a risk that the child can fall forward and strike his/her head on the floor or the swing's frame.

What to do: Consumers who have a Travel Lite swing with a 3-point seatbelt (waist belt and crotch strap only) or a Travel Lite swing without a red handle release button should stop using it immediately and contact Graco for a free repair kit. Consumers can call Graco toll-free at (800) 345-4109 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. ET Monday through Friday or visit the Company's Web site at www.gracobaby.com.



- <http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtml04/04176.html>

Release Number: 04-719 Target Corp., of Minneapolis, Minn. is voluntarily recalling about 25,500 Summerville™ Toy Trucks Sets. The recall includes Summerville™ four-piece truck sets. The multicolored trucks are about 4.5-inches long. Various types of trucks sold in the sets include dump trucks, cement trucks, utility trucks, garbage trucks, box trucks, fuel trucks, and tow trucks. Writing on the trucks includes "EMERGENCY," "HEAVY DUTY," or "CITY SERVICE." "Summerville™" and the item number "204 02 0458" are written on the packaging. Target stores sold them nationwide from February 2004 through May 2004 for about \$6 and were manufactured in China.

Problem: Components on the trucks could detach, posing a choking and sharp point hazard to young children.

What to do: Consumers should return the recalled trucks to Target for a refund. Call Target toll-free at (800) 440-0680 between 7 a.m. and 6 p.m. CT Monday through Friday, or visit Target's Web site at www.target.com



- <http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtml04/04179.html>

Release Number: 04-184 Kmart Corporation, of Troy, Mich. is voluntarily recalling about 38,600 Pool Pump Water Guns. The 15-inch-long water guns are shaped like giant syringes. When placed in a pool, they fill with water when the handle at the top of the device is pulled, and shoot water when pushed. They have either an orange tube with green handle and nozzle or a yellow tube with blue handle and nozzle. There is no writing on the water guns themselves. Kmart stores sold them nationwide from January 2004 through June 2004 for about \$2 and were manufactured in Hong Kong.

Problem: The cone-shaped nozzle can unexpectedly come off the water gun and be propelled causing injury.

What to do: Consumers should stop using the water guns and return them to a Kmart store for

a full refund. Call Kmart at (866) KMART4U anytime or log on to the company's Web site at www.kmart.com.



- <http://www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtml04/04184.html>

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